

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON**

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In the Matter of)	
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CROOKED RIVER RANCH WATER)	PREHEARING
COMPANY)	CONFERENCE
)	MEMORANDUM
)	
Request for rate increase in total annual)	
revenues from \$806,833 to \$868,453 or)	
8.13 percent.)	

**DISPOSITION: SCHEDULE ADOPTED; PETITIONS TO
INTERVENE GRANTED**

A prehearing conference was held in this matter on June 11, 2007, in Terrebonne, Oregon. Following an off-the-record discussion, the parties agreed to the following schedule:

Deadline for Petitions to Intervene	June 21, 2007
Settlement Conference	August 10, 2007
Staff and Intervenor Direct Testimony	September 7, 2007
Company Rebuttal Testimony	September 14, 2007*
Deadline for Data Requests	October 10, 2007
Deadline for Data Responses	October 23, 2007
Evidentiary Hearing	October 25 (evening) or October 26, 2007*

The parties expect a Commission decision in late November, 2007.

The schedule as proposed does not allow sufficient time for Crooked River Water Company's (Crooked River's) testimony. I revise the schedule to provide for Crooked River's testimony to be submitted on September 21, 2007.

The hearing will be scheduled for the evening of October 25th, to carry over to the morning of October 26th, if necessary. An official notice will be issued with specifics prior to the hearing.

Commission Staff is directed to issue notice with the time and location of the settlement conference.

Data requests shall be between the parties and need not be filed with the ALJ or Administrative Hearings Division.

Petitions to intervene have been filed by Charles Nichols, Craig Soule and Steven Cook. Crooked River filed a protest to the petitions filed by Mr. Nichols and Mr. Soule. Mr. Cook's petition was not served until June 16, 2007, and the time to file protests has not yet expired.

Both Mr. Nichols and Mr. Soule are customers of Crooked River. Crooked River describes their petitions as incomplete in certain respects. Crooked River also argues that their participation may unduly broaden the proceeding.

Any deficiencies in the petitions are trivial and are not grounds for denial. Whether either petitioner might raise issues that would unduly broaden the proceeding is a matter that will be addressed at such time as any such issues are raised. The petitions of Mr. Nichols and Mr. Soule are granted.

The petition of Steven Cook is granted, contingent on the filing of a timely protest.

Dated at Salem, Oregon, this 22nd day of June, 2007.

Patrick Power
Administrative Law Judge